

hated to do it, but there wasn't demand for their products sufficient to keep them fully engaged. Rather than lay people off, they put everybody on a 4-day workweek. So a lot of people are losing hours, and this would help keep them from losing income. I think it is good for the low-income workers in America. I think it is good for the economy, and I think it is good public policy for America.

Mr. President, we have talked with members of the Finance Committee and with the administration. I hope they will seize this opportunity to do something that, to me, has a win-win-win all over it, with no negatives. It is the right thing to do. Some say, well, business people may not want to handle the paperwork on this. Businesspeople print their checks out by computers, and it is not difficult for them. The money is paid to them. I talked to one gentleman who hires employees—quite a number of low-income workers. He said he thought it was a wonderful idea. It would be great for his workers, and it would be no problem at all for them to make that a part of their payroll check plan. It is just a matter of getting the person who processes that to factor it in, and it works rather easily.

Again, I believe it is a good idea, and I have submitted it to the Senate. I will be talking with the leadership and urging its passage. It is the right thing to do, and I think we ought to do it. The time is long past that we make this earned income tax credit really do what it is supposed to do, which is encourage work. It is to encourage people to work and, at the same time, when we do it by advancing it this year, we will provide a stimulus to the economy in a very significant way. We estimate that out of \$31 billion in earned income tax credit, we would be advancing at least \$15 billion next year, and that would be a healthy stimulus indeed for the economy.

By Mr. ENZI:

S. 1642. A bill to open certain withdrawn land in Big Horn County Wyoming, to locatable mineral development for bentonite mining; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 1642

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. OPENING OF CERTAIN WITHDRAWN LAND IN WYOMING TO LOCATABLE MINERAL DEVELOPMENT FOR BENTONITE MINING.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to subsection (c), the land described in subsection

(b) shall be open to locatable mineral development for bentonite mining.

(b) COVERED LAND.—The land referred to in subsection (a) is approximately 40 acres of previously withdrawn land located in Big Horn County, Wyoming, at the sixth principal meridian, T. 56 N., R. 95 W., Sec. 32. E½E½SE¼, adjacent to Pit No. 144L covered by State of Wyoming Mining Permit No. 321C.

(c) CLOSURE.—The Secretary of the Army may close the land opened by subsection (a) at any time if the Secretary determines that the closure of the land is required by reason of a national emergency or for purposes of national defense or security.

**AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED**

SA 2089. Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2090. Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2091. Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2092. Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2093. Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2094. Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2095. Mr. NICKLES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2096. Mr. NICKLES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2097. Mr. NICKLES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2098. Mr. NICKLES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2099. Mr. NICKLES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2100. Mr. NICKLES submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2101. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2102. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2103. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2104. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2105. Mr. SMITH of Oregon submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2044 submitted by Mr. Daschle and intended to be proposed to the bill (H.R. 3061) supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2106. Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. DEWINE) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2944, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes.

SA 2107. Mr. ALLEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2944, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2108. Mr. INHOFE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2944, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

**TEXT OF AMENDMENTS**

**SA 2089.** Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of the amendment add the following:

**SEC. . APPLICABILITY TO STATES.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, nothing in this title shall apply with respect to a State unless the State, prior to the close of the first regular session of the State legislature that begins after the date of enactment of this Act, enacts a law that provides rights and protections that are substantially similar to the rights and protections provided for in this title.

**SA 2090.** Mr. GRAMM submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3061, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 12 of the amendment, line 18, add after the period the following: "No contract,